

At a Council held at the Council Chamber on Monday the 26th day of May in the Sixteenth year of his Lordship's Dominion Annoq Domini 1766. Lib. J. R.
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Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor.

The honourable Benjamin Tasker, Cha^s Hammond, Sam^l Chamberlaine, Rich^d Lee, Rob^t Jenkins Henry, Daniel Dulany, Jn^o Ridout, Charles Goldsborough and Henry Hooper Esq^{rs}

The Instructions which his Excellency was pleased to lay before this Board on Friday last being again read, The honourable Dan^l Dulany, Rob^t Jenkins Henry Cha^s Goldsborough and Henry Hooper Esq^{rs} were appointed a Committee to examine into the Right Lord Baltimore Claims of granting Ordinary Licences and to Report what appears to them on the Occasion.

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The Committee appointed yesterday, to examine into Lord Baltimore's Right to Ordinary Licences and to report thereon, lay before this Board the following Report.

In pursuance of the Reference of this honourable Board upon the Communication of his Lordship's Instructions to his Excellency the Governor bearing date the 7th February 1765, we have Considered the subject matter of the said Instruction and are of Opinion that his Lordship is not intitled either in Virtue of the Charter of this Province or any Act of Assembly to the Sole Right of granting, ordering and regulating the Licences of Inn-Holders or Ordinary Keepers within this Province.

We conceive that any Person by the Common Law of England might follow the Trade of an Innholder as well as any other Trade without the Licence of the Crown. It appears to us from Hutton's Reports 99 and 100 that this Point was solemnly determined in the 22^d Jac: upon a Conference at p. 423